

NSC BRIEFING

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BACKGROUND--ASIAN-AFRICAN CONFERENCE

I. The conferees fall into four political categories--Communist, neutralist, anti-Communist and pro-West. The following is a complete list of the countries attending and their chief delegates (sponsors marked--*):

A. Communists (2)

China (Prime Minister Chou)
N. Vietnam (probably Foreign Minister Pham Van Dong)

B. Neutralist (6)

Afghanistan (Foreign Minister Prince Naim)
*Burma (Prime Minister Nu)
*India (Prime Minister Nehru)
*Indonesia (Prime Minister Ali Sastroamidjojo)
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Syria (probably Foreign Minister Azm)

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C. Anti-Communist (9)

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Egypt (Prime Minister Nasr)
Gold Coast (Minister of State Batsio)
Jordan (Foreign Minister Salah)
Cambodia (ex-king Prince Sihanouk)
Laos (Prime Minister Katay)
Libya (Ambassador Muntasser)
Saudi Arabia (Foreign Minister Prince Faisal)
Sudan (Prime Minister Azhari)
Yemen (Foreign Minister Prince Hasan)

D. Pro-Western (12)

*Ceylon (Prime Minister Kotelawala)
Ethiopia (Foreign Minister Aklilou)
Iran (Finance Minister Amini)
Iraq (ex-Foreign Minister Jamali)
Japan (Minister of State Takasaki)
Lebanon (Prime Minister Sohl)
Liberia (Acting Secretary of State Dukuly)
*Pakistan (Prime Minister Mohamad Ali)
Philippines (Minister without Portfolio Romulo)
Thailand (Foreign Minister Prince Wan)
Turkey (Deputy Prime Minister Zorlu)

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